MINUTES SPECIAL MAYOR'S SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING February 21, 2014

The regular meeting was called to order at 9:08 a.m.

In attendance were:

MANAGEMENT LABOR

Fire Department Absent Absent

Parks & Recreation Absent James Sweeney

Police Department Absent Absent

Public Works Bill Russo, Director Jim D'Antonio

Water & Sewer Robert Young Mike Trevisan

Patrick White

Other Attendees: Lou Carta, Community Health Educator

OLD BUSINESS

Minutes

The Minutes of the regular meeting of December 20, 2013 were reviewed and approved.

Continued Discussion Regarding City Hall Security

Director of Public Works, Bill Russo, advised that efforts are underway to have running surveillance of the main entrance where the handicap door is. This image will be displayed on the monitor located in the Foyer. Director Russo reiterated the importance of refresher training for employees who handle money and also making sure new employees receive this training. The City's Police Department can facilitate this training upon request. Consideration of panic buttons is ongoing. Committee also engaged in discussion regarding building security measures at Water & Sewer Headquarters.

OSHA Required PPE Hazard Assessment Program (Status Report)

This project is still pending. John Gamble, PMA Risk Control Consultant, is conducting the work on this project. After several meetings with department management, the written program is finalized and John is ready to deliver the training to all applicable personnel. Training dates to be scheduled.

Automated External Defibrillator (AED) - Dr. Joseph Haylicek, Director of Health (Status Report)

No further update was available. Item tabled until next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Workers' Compensation Injuries and Motor Vehicle Accidents

A discussion and review of all Workers' Compensation Injuries and motor vehicle accidents for the period 11/01/13 – 01/31/14 took place.

Training Update and/or Request

Police Defensive Driver Training - to be scheduled. Pending item.

Back safety/Chainsaw training. Chairperson Warner would like to work with H.D. Segur to plan a training session for the Public Works Department as well as other labor intensive departments.

Forklift Training. Training has been scheduled for the Water & Sewer employees. 2 sessions will take place: March 12, 2014 & March 19, 2014. Public Works is due this year (dates to be determined). Public Works is in the process of purchasing a new forklift so the plan would be to hold off on training until purchase is complete then train on the new equipment.

Annual Confined Space Entry. Training dates are being planned for April, 2014.

GHS/Bloodborne Training. One final makeup session has been scheduled for March 26, 2014 at the Middletown Police Department Community Room.

Safety Handouts

The following SafetyToolBoxTalks were distributed to committee members:

Electrical Safety for Construction Sites

What is a Confined Space?

Hard Hat 101

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Dawn M. Warner, Chairperson/Risk Manager

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CC

Mayor Daniel T. Drew

Kathleen Morey, Director of Human Resources

Brig Smith, General Counsel

Unions: Anthony Gennaro, Police; Salvatore D'Aquila, Fire; Christine Bourne, Local 466; James D'Antonio, Chapter 466A; Dawn Frame, Chapter 466B; Sylvia Morello, Chapter 466C; and Wayne

Bartolotta, Teamsters
Safety Committee Members
Luc Pentz, H.D. H.D. Segur
Mark Wantroba, H. D. Segur
Joey Barbera, CIRMA
John Gamble, PMA Group